

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE

This trade comprises firms that were engaged wholly or mainly in the manufacture of boots and shoes (other than of rubber), slippers and clogs, and parts and accessories, and in boot and shoe repairing. The Import Duties Act Inquiries for 1934 and 1933 covered firms engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes but not firms mainly engaged in repair work.

For the purpose of this report the trade is divided into (a) the Manufacturing section and (b) the Repairing section.

The output of rubber boots and shoes will be dealt with in the report on the Rubber Trade to be published in Part III of the Report on the Census.

The numbering of the tables throughout this report does not agree with that indicated in the Introductory Notes (*see* pages xi-xiv).

A.—MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Table I A.—General summary

Particulars	1935	1934	1933	1930*	1924†
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Value of products (Gross output)...	40,180	37,012	38,073	45,195	50,695
Cost of materials, fuel and electricity used	21,292	19,904	20,668	25,531	28,551
Amount paid for work given out ...	51	42	63	37	81
Net output	18,837	17,066	17,342	19,627	22,063
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Average number of persons employed (excluding outworkers) ...	116,567	112,637	113,926	116,452	130,500
	£	£	£	£	£
Net output per person employed (excluding outworkers)	162	152	152	169	169
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Number of returns	750	} †	†	868	1,420
Number of establishments... ..	808	} †	†	†	†

* Including particulars of the small production of umbrellas and walking sticks in Northern Ireland which, owing to the possible disclosure of information relating to individual firms, cannot be published separately.

† Including firms mainly engaged in repair work, in respect of which separate particulars are not available.

‡ Not available.

Table I B.—See Table XIII B (page 451)

Table II.—Size of establishments in 1935

Size of establishment (average number employed)	Number of establishments	Gross output	Net output	Number of persons employed (excluding out-workers)	Net output per person employed
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£
11-24 ...	160	1,004	488	2,481	197
25-49 ...	145	1,802	827	5,641	147
50-99 ...	193	4,840	2,132	13,762	155
100-199 ...	147	6,990	3,232	20,793	155
200-299 ...	64	5,035	2,340	15,319	153
300-399 ...	35	4,205	1,990	11,759	169
400-499 ...	19	3,106	1,445	8,441	171
500-749 ...	22	4,737	2,177	13,030	167
750-999 ...	9	2,693	1,343	7,669	175
1,000 and over...	14	5,768	2,863	17,672	162
TOTAL ...	808	40,180	18,837	116,567	162

Table III.—Particulars of output, etc., in each of the principal areas of the United Kingdom

Area*	Number of establishments†	Gross output	Net output	Average number of persons employed (excluding out-workers)	Net output per person employed	
(a) Manufacturers (b) Repairers						
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£	
1 ...	(a) ... 1935	114	3,763	1,982	10,924	181
	(b) ... 1935	45	409	287	1,282	224
	(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	159 147	4,172 4,098	2,269 2,061	12,206 10,137	186 203
2 ...	(a) ... 1935	60	3,631	1,481	11,159	133
	(b) ... 1935	67	366	243	1,277	190
	(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	127 110	3,997 4,198	1,724 1,725	12,436 11,538	139 150
3 ...	(a) ... 1935	24	895	369	2,585	143
	(b) ... 1935	40	189	131	689	190
	(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	64 44	1,084 1,119	500 485	3,274 3,054	153 159
5 ...	(a) ... 1935	36	1,826	975	5,872	166
	(b) ... 1935	39	201	128	612	209
	(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	75 47	2,027 1,976	1,103 974	6,484 6,014	170 162

Area*	Number of establishments†	Gross output	Net output	Average number of persons employed (excluding out-workers)	Net output per person employed
(a) Manufacturers (b) Repairers					
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£
4 ... (a) and (b) 1935	12	169	78	629	124
6 ... { (a) 1935 (b) 1935	453	24,061	10,966	65,716	167
	19	95	69	291	236
8 ... (a) and (b) 1935	12	110	59	324	183
9 ... (a) and (b) 1935	13	469	258	1,548	167
10 ... { (a) 1935 (b) 1935	42	3,203	1,690	11,538	146
	8	44	29	147	198
7, 11-13 (a) and (b) 1935	61	1,425	772	4,333	178
Total 4 and 6-13 { (a) ... 1935 (b) ... 1935	553	29,218	13,666	83,305	164
	67	358	255	1,221	209
(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	620	29,576	13,921	84,526	165
	641	34,067	14,870	86,390	172
14 ... { (a) ... 1935 (b) ... 1935	7	449	179	1,325	135
	17	112	76	366	208
(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	24	561	255	1,691	151
	29	666	283	1,915	148
15 ... { (a) 1935 (b) 1935	4	45	25	196	127
	15	90	61	305	201
16 and 17 ... { (a) 1935 (b) 1935	10	353	160	1,201	133
	8	42	26	141	184
(a) and (b) { 1935 1930	14	398	185	1,397	133
	23	132	87	446	195
15-17 { (a) and (b) { 1935 1930	37	530	272	1,843	148
	36	761	335	2,263	148
18 ... { (a) ... 1935 (b) ... 1930†	10	70	37	274	135
	13	96	51	331	154
TOTAL { (a) ... 1935 (b) ... 1935	808	40,180	18,837	116,567	162
	308	1,837	1,244	6,167	202
(a) and (b) { 1935 1930†	1,116	42,017	20,081	122,734	164
	1,280	46,885	20,733	121,311	171

* For particulars see page xviii.

† Number of returns for 1930.

‡ See footnote (*) to Table I A.

The above particulars cover the Boot and Shoe Trade as a whole, separate particulars in respect of Manufacturers and Repairers not being available for 1930.

Table IV.—Output in principal manufacturing districts by firms whose returns were made on schedules for the Boot and Shoe Trade

Area	Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather				Boots and shoes of other materials and slippers	Total
	Men's	Women's	Children's	Un-classified		
Northamptonshire—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	2,048	272	95	—	67	2,482
{ £'000	10,545	1,928	280	—	148	12,901
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	1,787	231	67	15	86	2,186
{ £'000	12,242	2,012	276	62	166	14,758
Leicestershire—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	127	1,524	1,160	—	201	3,012
{ £'000	397	6,117	2,496	—	305	9,315
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	73	1,302	1,139	90	177	2,781
{ £'000	356	6,687	3,322	344	411	11,120
Norwich—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	3	402	151	—	68	624
{ £'000	13	2,211	436	—	236	2,896
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	4	337	198	1	121	661
{ £'000	21	2,104	642	4	383	3,154
London—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	23	534	413	—	207	1,177
{ £'000	202	2,145	406	—	379	3,132
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	58	318	293	7	199	875
{ £'000	410	1,864	377	40	298	2,989
Bristol—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	104	37	26	—	—	167
{ £'000	525	227	74	—	—	826
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	100	59	26	28	—	213
{ £'000	646	418	109	108	—	1,281
Other areas—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	271	1,125	687	—	1,454	3,537
{ £'000	1,269	3,898	1,221	—	2,119	8,507
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	229	835	769	23	1,341	3,197
{ £'000	1,734	4,153	1,649	47	2,007	9,590
TOTAL—						
1935 { Th. doz. prs.	2,576	3,894	2,532	—	1,997	10,999
{ £'000	12,951	16,526	4,913	—	3,187	37,577
1930 { Th. doz. prs.	2,251	3,082	2,492	164	1,924	9,913
{ £'000	15,409	17,238	6,375	605	3,265	42,892

PRODUCTION

Table V A.—Output of principal products

Kind of output	1935			1934	
	Quantity	Value	Entries	Quantity	Value
Boots and shoes wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) :—	Th. doz. prs.	£'000	No.	Th. doz. prs.	£'000
Men's :—					
With soles of leather ...	2,185	11,425	473	1,960	10,425
With soles of rubber, composition, etc. ...	391	1,526	258	380	1,520
Total—Men's ...	2,576	12,951	...	2,340	11,945
Women's ...	3,894	16,526	383	3,528	15,075
Youths' and boys' (sizes 7 to 5)	659	1,712	269	608	1,612
Girls' and maids' (sizes 7 to 3)	1,125	2,386	228	1,054	2,213
Infants' (sizes up to 6) ...	755	828	127	686	795
Total—Boots and shoes of leather ...	9,009	34,403	...	8,216	31,640
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber* ...	483	997	68	456	935
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber ...	1,547	2,219	127	1,692	2,411
TOTAL—Boots, shoes and slippers (other than of rubber)	11,039	37,619	...	10,364	34,986
Parts of boots and shoes, sold separately :—					
Boot and shoe uppers... ..	41	82	30	27	50
Soles of leather	1,656	405	33	1,435	296
Heels*†	3,781	527	47	3,109	445
Stiffeners ... ..	...	507	26	...	435
Other parts of boots and shoes (other than of rubber)* ...	...	146	25	...	120
TOTAL—Parts of boots and shoes (other than of rubber)	...	1,667	...	...	1,346
Clogs	15	43	25	12	35
Clog blocks and clog irons ...	...	4	4	...	42||
Leggings and gaiters	24	70	27	20	56
				...	15
Socks for boots and shoes :—	Th. gross prs.			Th. gross prs.	
Of cork or fibre	149	91	13	126	69
Of other materials	141	62	16	119	47
Boot and shoe laces :—					
Of leather... ..	98	61	10	...	...
Of cotton†	550	197	22	357‡	140‡
	...	21	7	...	59‡
Of other materials‡	34	11	7	...	...
	...	6	2	...	...
Grindery and mercery ... ..	...	170	16	...	187
Work done for the trade ... ..	...	63§	54	...	46§
TOTAL—PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS	...	40,085	...	...	37,028

* For boots and shoes of rubber (including shoes with canvas uppers and rubber soles) and for rubber heels and soles see the report on the Rubber Trade to be published in Part III of the Report.

† Excluding rubber and wooden heels returned in other trades for which see the reports on the Rubber and Timber Trades (Parts III and IV respectively).

|| Including some clog soles.

‡ So far as recorded separately.

§ Amount received.

The figures shown in the preceding table include the following output recorded by firms whose returns were made on schedules for other trades (including £17,000 recorded by boot repairing firms in 1935), and are not, therefore, included in Table I A.

Kind of output	1935			1934	
	Quantity	Value	Entries	Quantity	Value
	Th. doz. prs.	£'000	No.	Th. doz. prs.	£'000
Boots and shoes wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) ...	8	19	25	—	—
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber ...	17	6	2	12	8
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber ...	16	23	3	—	—
Parts of boots and shoes ...	...	100	12	...	105
Clogs and clog irons ...	...	4	14	...	—
Leggings and gaiters ...	8	22	8	...	16
	Th. gross prs.				
Socks for boots and shoes ...	19	8	3	—	—
Boot and shoe laces :—					
Of leather ...	48	34	4	}	115
Of cotton ...	415	148	19		
Of other materials ...	34	11	5		
Work done for the trade ...	...	6*	2	...	...
	...	6*	17	...	...
Total ...	...	408	...	...	244

* Amount received.

Table V B.—Output for sale of certain principal products, 1924-1935

Kind of goods	1924	1930	1933	1934	1935
Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) :—					
Men's :—					
With soles of leather	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 2,032	1,806	2,005	1,960	2,185
<i>£'000</i> 15,339	12,363	10,922	10,425	11,425	
With soles of rubber, composition, etc....	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 55	280	396	380	391
<i>£'000</i> 565	1,869	1,613	1,520	1,526	
Unclassified ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> —	165	—	—	—
<i>£'000</i> —	1,177	—	—	—	
Total—Men's ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 2,087	2,251	2,401	2,340	2,576
<i>£'000</i> 15,904	15,409	12,535	11,945	12,951	
Women's ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 2,721	3,082	3,612	3,528	3,894
<i>£'000</i> 17,989	17,238	15,476	15,075	16,526	
Youths' and boys' (sizes 7-5) ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 774	730	647	608	659
<i>£'000</i> 3,103	2,456	1,717	1,612	1,712	
Girls' and maids' (sizes 7-3) ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 809	1,025	1,137	1,054	1,125
<i>£'000</i> 2,878	2,898	2,300	2,213	2,386	
Infants' (sizes up to 6)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 760	739	649	686	755
<i>£'000</i> 1,273	1,024	755	795	828	
Men's, women's, and children's, unclassified ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> —	164	—	—	—
<i>£'000</i> —	605	—	—	—	
Total—Boots and shoes of leather	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 7,151	7,991	8,446	8,216	9,009
<i>£'000</i> 41,147	39,630	32,783	31,640	34,403	
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 1,042	489	386	456	483
<i>£'000</i> 2,203	1,135	931	935	997	
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 1,191	1,455	1,599	1,692	1,547
<i>£'000</i> 2,024	2,157	2,250	2,411	2,219	
Boots, shoes and slippers, unclassified ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 380	—	—	—	—
<i>£'000</i> 1,558	—	—	—	—	
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers, other than of rubber * ...	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i> 9,764	9,935	10,431	10,364	11,039
<i>£'000</i> 46,932	42,922	35,964	34,986	37,619	
All other principal products ...	<i>£'000</i> 2,740	2,161	2,077	2,042	2,466
TOTAL — PRINCIPAL PRODUCTS ...	<i>£'000</i> 49,672	45,083	38,041	37,028	40,085

Table VI.—Average values of goods produced, exported and imported

Kind of goods	Production (at factory)		1935 as a percentage of 1934	Exports (f.o.b.)		Imports (c.i.f.)	
	Average value			Average value		Average value	
	1935	1934	1935	1934	1935	1934	
	£ per doz. prs.	£ per doz. prs.	Per cent.	£ per doz. prs.	£ per doz. prs.	£ per doz. prs.	£ per doz. prs.
Boots and shoes wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) :—							
Men's :—							
With soles of leather	5.23	5.32	98.3	5.55	5.41	7.61	7.78
With soles of rubber composition, etc.	3.91	4.00	97.6	3.58	3.42	2.18	1.55
Women's ...	4.24	4.27	99.3	4.12	3.96	5.94	5.13
Youths' and boys' (sizes 7 to 5) ...	2.60	2.65	98.0				
Girls' and maids' (sizes 7 to 3) ...	2.12	2.10	100.9	*	*	*	*
Infants' (sizes up to 6)	1.10	1.16	94.3				
Youths' and boys', girls' and maids', and infants' ...	1.94	1.97	98.5	1.23	1.34	2.41	1.36
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber ...	2.07	2.05	100.8	1.96	1.85	3.12	2.35
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber	1.43	1.43	100.6	1.39	1.45	1.48	1.95
Boot and shoe uppers...	1.96	1.89	103.8				
	s. per doz. prs.	s. per doz. prs.					
Soles of leather...	4.90	4.12	118.9				
Heels ...	2.79	2.87	97.2				
	£ per doz. prs.	£ per doz. prs.		*	*	*	*
Clogs ...	2.79	2.78	100.1				
Leggings and gaiters ...	2.89	2.78	104.2				
Socks for boots and shoes :—	s. per gross prs.	s. per gross prs.					
Of cork or fibre ...	12.22	10.90	112.1				
Of other materials ...	8.82	7.92	114.4				

* Not recorded separately.

Table VII.—Volume of Production, 1924-1935

Kind of output	Total production			Production index (1935 = 100)			
	1935 as returned	1934		1924	1930	1933	1934
		As returned	At 1935 average values				
	£'000	£'000	£'000	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.	Per cent.
Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) :—							
Men's :—							
With soles of leather	11,425	10,425	10,250	95	83	93	90
With soles of rubber, composition, etc.	1,526	1,520	1,484	14	71	101	97
Women's ...	16,526	15,075	14,972	72	80	93	91
Youths' and boys' (sizes 7-5) ...	1,712	1,612	1,579	115	111	99	92
Girls' and maids' (sizes 7-3) ...	2,386	2,213	2,233	71	91	101	94
Infants' (sizes up to 6)	828	795	750	101	98	86	91
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber	997	935	943	140	102	81	95
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber...	2,219	2,411	2,427	75	93	102	109
Total — Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber) ...	37,619	34,986	34,638	81	84	94	92
Clogs, clog blocks, and clog irons ...	47	77	76	326	160	172	162
Leggings and gaiters ...	70	71	74	275	252	116	106
Socks for boots and shoes :—							
Of cork or fibre ...	91	69	77	141	152	82	85
Of other materials ...	62	47	52		84	97	84
Boot and shoe laces ...	296	199	201	...	...	...	...
Parts of boots, shoes, etc. :—							
Uppers... ..	82	50	52	116	75	53	63
Soles of leather ...	405	296	352	48	74	102	87
Heels	527	445	433	76	60	81	82
Stiffeners	507	435	432	74	81	90	85
Other parts of boots and shoes	316	307	305	36	46	85	97
Total — Parts of boots and shoes (including grindery and mercury)... ..	1,837	1,533	1,574	64	67	88	86
Work done for the trade	63	46	46	51	65	100	73
TOTAL	40,085	37,028	36,738	82	85	94	92

Table VIII.—Production in relation to Exports and Imports

Kind of goods	Production		Proportion of production exported	Retained imports	Available for use in the United Kingdom		Share of home market held by British goods
	Th. doz. prs.	Th. doz. prs.			Th. doz. prs.	Th. doz. prs.		Per cent.
Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes):—							
Men's:—							
With soles of leather ...	1935 2,185	130	5.9	1	2,056	100.0	
... 1934 1,960	142	7.2	1	1,819	99.9		
With soles of rubber, composition, etc. ...	1935 391	5	1.4	0	386	99.9	
... 1934 380	5	1.4	1	376	99.8		
Women's ...	1935 3,894	139	3.6	112	3,867	97.1	
... 1934 3,528	177	5.0	126	3,477	96.4		
Children's ...	1935 2,539	102	4.0	3	2,440	99.9	
... 1934 2,348	119	5.1	1	2,230	99.9		
Total—Boots and shoes of leather ...	1935 9,009	376	4.2	116	8,749	98.7	
... 1934 8,216	443	5.4	129	7,902	98.4		
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber ...	1935 483	38	7.9	12	457	97.4	
... 1934 456	40	8.8	12	428	97.2		
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber ...	1935 1,547	80	5.2	65	1,532	95.7	
... 1934 1,692	68	4.0	69	1,693	95.9		

Table IX.—Other output of the Boot and Shoe Trade (Manufacturing)

The value of the gross output of the manufacturing firms whose returns were made on schedules for the Boot and Shoe Trade was £40,180,000 in 1935 and £37,012,000 in 1934, of which £39,677,000 in 1935 and £36,784,000 in 1934 consisted of products included in Table V A. Particulars of the remaining items are shown below.

Kind of output	1935		1934
	Quantity	Value	Value
Boots and shoes of rubber:—	Th. doz. prs.	£'000	£'000
Boots with uppers and soles of rubber ...	35	68	142
Bathing shoes and sandals and the like ...	105	89	
Other shoes of rubber (including goloshes, overshoes and plimsolls) ...	200	215	
Other goods ...	...	49	42
Repair work ...	...	82*	44*
TOTAL ...	...	503	228

* Amount received.

MATERIALS AND FUEL

Table X A.—Materials, fuel and electricity purchased and used

Kind of materials, etc.	1935		1934	
	Quantity	Cost	Quantity	Cost
	Th. cwts.	£'000	Th. cwts.	£'000
Materials used:—				
Sole leather, purchased as such ...	942.4	4,376	775.5	3,744
Composite soling materials (excluding rubber):—	Th. doz. prs.		Th. doz. prs.	
Soles ...	459.1	117	543.5	134
Heels ...	797.6	104	594.0	73
Unclassified ...	Th. cwts.		Th. cwts.	
... 15.8	23		22.6	37
... 15.8	Th. doz. prs.		Th. doz. prs.	
Soles ...	512.2	146	605.0	169
Heels ...	790.1	74	623.0	66
Unclassified ...	Th. cwts.		Th. cwts.	
... 20.2	77		37.6	125
Upper leather:—	Th. sq. ft.		Th. sq. ft.	
Glacé kid ...	38,496	1,747	30,062	1,406
Patent, varnished, japanned and enamelled ...	14,281	556	15,036	604
Box and willow calf ...	70,078	3,170	60,923	2,654
Other upper leather ...	82,816	2,489	84,132	2,477
Fuel and electricity used for all purposes:—	Th. tons			
Coal ...	30.6	34	...	8,415
Coke ...	18.0	25		
Heavy fuel oil ...	Th. galls.			
... 485	11			
... 485	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)			
Purchased electricity* ...	41,334	182		
All other purchased materials and fuel ...	...	8,161		
TOTAL ...	...	21,292	...	19,904

* Including electricity generated in other works under the same ownership.

Table X B.—Consumption of coal, coke and electricity in 1935 and 1930

Kind of fuel	1935			1930
	Manu- facturers	Repairers	Total	All firms*
Coal ...	Th. tons	Th. tons	Th. tons	Th. tons
... 30.6	0.4	31.0	34.5	
Coke ...	Th. tons	Th. tons	Th. tons	Th. tons
... 18.0	0.4	18.4	11.2	
Electricity:—	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)
Generated in same works ...	4,344	119	4,463	4,875
Generated in other works under same ownership ...	546	—	546	301
Purchased ...	40,788	2,360	43,148	34,737†
Total electricity consumed ...	45,678	2,479	48,157	39,913

* Separate particulars are not available for Manufacturers and Repairers.

† Corrected figure.

EMPLOYMENT

Table XI A.—Average numbers employed in 1935 and 1934

Persons employed	Males		Females		Total		
	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages	
Operatives (average for the year) ...	1935	9,961	61,075	11,480	47,574	21,441	108,649
	1934	9,409	59,610	10,038	45,346	19,447	104,956
Administrative, technical and clerical staff* ...	1935	285	4,565	747	3,353	1,032	7,918
	1934	174	4,532	624	3,149	798	7,681
TOTAL ...	1935	10,246	65,640	12,227	50,927	22,473	116,567
	1934	9,583	64,142	10,662	48,495	20,245	112,637
Average number of outworkers ...	1935	707		1,270		1,977	
	1934	328		1,233		1,561	

* As at 12th October, 1935, and 13th October, 1934.

Table XI B.—Operatives employed in one week in each month of 1934 and 1935 by firms furnishing returns in respect of the twelve months ended December

Mid week of*	Operatives employed		Monthly index†		
	1934	1935	1933	1934	1935
January ...	69,291	71,555	90.0	95.2	96.7
February ...	70,682	72,753	93.4	97.1	98.3
March ...	71,081	73,615	96.5	97.7	99.5
April ...	71,839	74,198	98.5	98.7	100.3
May ...	71,975	75,343	101.1	98.9	101.8
June ...	71,105	73,716	101.5	97.7	99.6
July ...	67,971	74,043	100.7	93.4	100.0
August ...	67,295	72,789	97.8	92.5	98.4
September ...	69,967	74,112	98.7	96.1	100.1
October ...	70,603	75,046	98.4	97.0	101.4
November ...	71,644	75,931	99.2	98.4	102.6
December ...	70,366	74,983	97.4	96.7	101.3
Average for the twelve months	70,318	74,007	97.8	96.6	100.0
Proportion of total operatives represented ...	67.00	68.12	...	...	...

* For the ending date of each week see page xiv.

† Based on the estimated average for the year 1935.

Table XI C.—Average numbers employed, 1924-1935

Year	Operatives	Administrative, technical and clerical staff	Total (excluding outworkers)
1924*	121,331	9,169	130,500
1930	108,261	8,191	116,452
1933	106,236	7,690	113,926
1934	104,956	7,681	112,637
1935	108,649	7,918	116,567

* Including firms mainly engaged in repair work.

WAGES

Table XII.—For the statement of wages paid by firms making returns of wages in 1935 and 1930 see page 454.

B.—REPAIRING FIRMS

Table XIII A.—General summary*

Particulars	Unit	1935	1930†
Value of work done (Gross output) ...	£'000	1,837	1,786
Cost of materials, fuel and electricity used ...	"	593	629
Net output ...	"	1,244	1,157
Average number of persons employed (excluding outworkers) ...	No.	6,167	5,190
Net output per person employed (excluding outworkers) ...	£	202	223
Number of returns ...	No.	219	202
Number of establishments ...	"	308	‡

* Corresponding particulars for 1924 are not available; see Table I A, page 439.

† The figures relate to Great Britain only, particulars of the small output in Northern Ireland being included in Table I A.

‡ Not available.

Table XIII B.—Firms employing not more than ten persons on the average

Particulars	1935			1930*	1924*
	Manufacturing firms	Repairing firms	Total		
Number of returns received ...	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
	964	8,542	9,506	11,690	8,100
Average number of persons employed:—					
Males ...	2,786	17,170	19,956	21,604	16,864
Females ...	692	750	1,442	2,027	781
Total ...	3,478	17,920	21,398	23,631	17,645
Number of firms not making returns ...	5	18	23	780	5,490

* Great Britain only.

The above figures for 1930 and 1924 cover the Boot and Shoe Trade as a whole, separate particulars in respect of Manufacturers and Repairers not being available.

In 1924 the value of the gross output of the 8,100 small firms making returns was £4,942,000 or 8.9 per cent. of the total. £3,922,000 of that output was in respect of repair work, representing 74.6 per cent. of the total of such work done in that year; it must be borne in mind however that these figures are understated to the extent of the output of the 5,490 firms not furnishing returns.

Table XIV.—Size of establishments in 1935

Size of establishment (average number employed)	Number of establishments	Gross output	Net output	Number of persons employed (excluding outworkers)	Net output per person employed
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£
11-24	252	1,083	725	3,633	200
25-49	39	370	255	1,204	212
50-99	14	288	195	972	200
100-199... ..	3	96	69	358	193
TOTAL	308	1,837	1,244	6,167	202

Table XV.—Particulars of output, etc., in each of the principal areas of the United Kingdom, see Table III, (page 440)

Table XVI.—Value of repair work done

Kind of work	1935	1930
	Amount received	Amount received
Repairs to boots and shoes	£'000 1,903	£'000 1,934

The figures given above include the value of repair work amounting to £82,000 in 1935 and £184,000 in 1930 carried out by firms in other trades or by firms manufacturing boots and shoes.

Table XVII.—Volume of Production, 1924-1935

Repair work	1924	1930	1935
Value of repair work as returned	£'000 1,400	£'000 1,934	£'000 1,903
Estimated value at 1935 prices	1,150	1,700	1,903
Value of repair work as a percentage of 1935	Per cent. 60	Per cent. 89	Per cent. 100

Table XVIII.—Other output

The value of the gross output of the firms whose principal business consisted in the repair of boots and shoes was £1,837,000 in 1935 and £1,786,000 in 1930, of which £1,821,000 in 1935 and £1,750,000 in 1930 consisted of output included in Table XVI, the balance of £16,000 in 1935 and £36,000 in 1930 representing goods made and other work done.

MATERIALS AND FUEL

Table XIX A.—Materials, fuel and electricity purchased and used

Kind of materials, etc.	1935		1930
	Quantity	Cost	Cost
Materials used* :—	Th. cwts.	£'000	£'000
Bottom materials :—			
Sole leather purchased as such	25.9	244	}
	...	33	
Composite soling materials (excluding rubber):	Th. doz.		
Soles	18.3	8	}
Heels	29.2	6	
Rubber :—			
Soles	10.7	5	}
Heels	59.8	11	
Fuel and electricity used for all purposes :—	Th. tons		}
Coal... ..	0.4	†	
Coke	0.4	†	
Heavy fuel oil	Th. galls. 6	†	
Purchased electricity	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.) 2,360	16	}
All other purchased materials and fuel ... ..	...	142	
Unclassified materials and fuel ... ..	...	122	
TOTAL ... ..	...	593	629

* So far as recorded separately.

† Less than £500.

Table XIX B.—Consumption of coal, coke and electricity, see Table X B, (page 449).

Table XX A.—Average numbers employed

Persons employed	Males		Females		Total	
	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages
Operatives (average for the year)	1935 611	5,136	107	321	718	5,457
Administrative, technical and clerical staff*	1930 426	4,342	97	272	523	4,614
	1935 19	412	52	298	71	710
	1930 38	345	62	231	100	576
TOTAL	1935 630	5,548	159	619	789	6,167
	1930 464	4,687	159	503	623	5,190
Average number of outworkers... ..	1935 4		2		6	
	1930 13		2		15	

* As at 12th October, 1935, and 18th October, 1930.

Table XX B.—Operatives employed in one week in each month of 1935 by firms furnishing returns in respect of the twelve months ended December

Mid week of*	Number	Mid week of*	Number
January	2,861	July	2,941
February	2,842	August	2,923
March	2,859	September	2,939
April	2,865	October	2,996
May	2,915	November	2,975
June	2,914	December	2,982
Average for the twelve months			2,918
Proportion of total operatives represented... ..			53.47

* For the ending date of each week see page xiv.

WAGES—BOOT AND SHOE TRADE—BOTH MANUFACTURING AND REPAIRING FIRMS

Table XXI.—Wages paid by firms furnishing returns of wages in 1935 and 1930

The aggregate amount of wages paid by firms furnishing returns of wages was £8,695,000 in 1935 representing 60.7 per cent. of the net output of these firms, the corresponding figures for 1930 being £8,610,000 and 59.2 per cent. The figures for these firms given below indicate the size of the sample and the extent to which it is representative.

Firms furnishing returns of wages	1935		1930	
	Aggregate	Proportion of trade	Aggregate	Proportion of trade
	£'000	Per cent.	£'000	Per cent.
Gross output... ..	30,403	72.4	33,807	72.0
Net output	14,333	71.4	14,563	70.0
Operative staff employed :—	No.		No.	
During mid-week of October :—				
Males	48,056	71.4	}	*
Females... ..	36,486	74.9		
Total	84,542	72.9	79,753	70.4
Average for the year	82,889	72.6	79,003	70.0
Administrative, technical and clerical staff	5,835	67.6	*	*
Number of establishments	610	54.7	...	...

* Not recorded separately.

COUNTRY TABLES (1935)

Note.—The figures given in the following tables relate only to firms whose returns were made on schedules for the Boot and Shoe Trade and cover both manufacturing and repairing firms. Owing to the possible disclosure of information relating to individual firms, separate particulars for Northern Ireland cannot be given.

Table I.—General summary

Particulars	Unit	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
Value of products (Gross output)... ..	£'000	40,925	1,092	42,017
Cost of materials, fuel and electricity used	„	21,322	563	21,885
Amount paid for work given out	„	50	1	51
Net output	„	19,553	528	20,081
Average number of persons employed (excluding outworkers)	No.	119,200	3,534	122,734
Net output per person employed (excluding outworkers)	£	164	149	164
Number of returns	No.	913	56	969
Number of establishments	„	1,055	61	1,116

Table II.—Output

Kind of output	Unit	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather (other than slippers and house shoes) :—				
Men's :—				
With soles of leather	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	2,137	48	2,185
With soles of rubber, composition, etc.	£'000	11,058	367	11,425
Total—Men's	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	388	3	391
Women's	£'000	1,504	22	1,526
Youths' and boys' (sizes 7 to 5)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	2,525†	51	2,576
Girls' and maids' (sizes 7 to 3)	£'000	12,562†	389	12,951
Infants' (sizes up to 6)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	3,860†	34	3,894
Total—Boots and shoes of leather	£'000	16,301†	225	16,526
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	640†	17	657
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber	£'000	1,627†	81	1,708
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	1,111	11	1,122
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	£'000	2,334	45	2,379
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	753	—	753
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	£'000	826	—	826
Total—Boots and shoes of leather	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	8,889†	113	9,002
Total—Boots and shoes of leather	£'000	33,650†	740	34,390
Boots and shoes of other materials, except rubber	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	466
Slippers and house shoes, other than of rubber	£'000	*	*	991
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	1,531
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	£'000	*	*	2,196
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	10,999
Total—Boots, shoes, and slippers (other than of rubber)	£'000	*	*	37,577

Kind of output	Unit	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
Boots and shoes of rubber :—				
Boots with uppers and soles of rubber	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	35	—	35
	<i>£'000</i>	68	—	68
Bathing shoes and sandals and the like	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	105	—	105
	<i>£'000</i>	89	—	89
Other shoes of rubber (including goloshes, overshoes, and plim-solls)	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	200	—	200
	<i>£'000</i>	215	—	215
Parts of boots and shoes, sold separately :—				
Boot and shoe uppers	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	41
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	82
Soles of leather	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	1,624
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	397
Heels	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	*	*	3,781
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	527
Stiffeners	<i>£'000</i>	440	—	440
Other parts of boots and shoes :—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	57	—	57
	<i>£'000</i>	6	—	6
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	115	—	115
Total—Parts of boots and shoes				
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	1,567
Clogs, clog blocks, and clog irons				
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	47
Leggings and gaiters	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	16	—	16
	<i>£'000</i>	48	—	48
Socks for boots and shoes :—				
Of cork or fibre	<i>Th. gross prs.</i>	143	—	143
	<i>£'000</i>	87	—	87
Of other materials	<i>Th. gross prs.</i>	127	—	127
	<i>£'000</i>	58	—	58
Boot and shoe laces :—				
Of leather	<i>Th. gross prs.</i>	*	*	50
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	27
Of cotton... ..	<i>Th. gross prs.</i>	*	*	135
	<i>£'000</i>	*	*	49
Grindery and mercery	<i>£'000</i>	170	—	170
Other goods made	<i>£'000</i>	48	1	49
Work done for the trade	<i>£'000</i>	60†	3†	63†
Repair work	<i>£'000</i>	1,644†	259†	1,903†
TOTAL				
	<i>£'000</i>	40,925	1,092	42,017

* Owing to the possible disclosure of information relating to individual firms, separate particulars cannot be given.

† Includes the following output recorded by firms in Northern Ireland, particulars of which can be published separately :—

Boots and shoes, wholly or mainly of leather :—	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	<i>£'000</i>
Men's	2.5	22
Women's	0.5	3
Youths' and boys'	0.3	2
	3.3	27

‡ Amount received.

Table III A.—Materials, fuel and electricity purchased and used

Kind of materials, etc.	Unit	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
Materials used* :—				
Sole leather, purchased as such—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. cwts.</i>	936.4	31.9	968.3
	<i>£'000</i>	4,437	183	4,620
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	31	2	33
Composite soling materials (excluding rubber) :—				
Soles—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	469.7	7.7	477.4
	<i>£'000</i>	119	6	125
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	1	—	1
Heels	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	818.3	8.5	826.8
	<i>£'000</i>	108	2	110
Unclassified	<i>Th. cwts.</i>	15.8	—	15.8
	<i>£'000</i>	23	—	23
Rubber :—				
Soles—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	516.1	6.8	522.9
	<i>£'000</i>	149	2	151
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	1	—	1
Heels—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. doz. prs.</i>	841.3	8.6	849.9
	<i>£'000</i>	84	1	85
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	2	—	2
Unclassified—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. cwts.</i>	20.2	—	20.2
	<i>£'000</i>	77	—	77
Upper leather :—				
Glacé kid	<i>Th. sq. ft.</i>	38,095	401	38,496
	<i>£'000</i>	1,721	26	1,747
Patent, varnished, japanned, and enamelled	<i>Th. sq. ft.</i>	14,252	29	14,281
	<i>£'000</i>	554	2	556
Box and willow calf	<i>Th. sq. ft.</i>	68,820	1,258	70,078
	<i>£'000</i>	3,101	69	3,170
Other upper leather	<i>Th. sq. ft.</i>	81,122	1,694	82,816
	<i>£'000</i>	2,428	61	2,489
Fuel and electricity used for all purposes :—				
Coal—				
Quantity stated	<i>Th. tons</i>	27.4	3.6	31.0
	<i>£'000</i>	32	3	35
Quantity not stated	<i>£'000</i>	†	†	†
Coke	<i>Th. tons</i>	18.2	0.2	18.4
	<i>£'000</i>	25	1	26
Heavy fuel oil	<i>Th. galls.</i>	487	4	491
	<i>£'000</i>	11	†	11
Purchased electricity‡	<i>Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)</i>	42,665	1,029	43,694
	<i>£'000</i>	193	5	198
All other purchased materials and fuel... ..				
	<i>£'000</i>	8,119	184	8,303
Unclassified materials and fuel	<i>£'000</i>	106	16	122
TOTAL				
	<i>£'000</i>	21,322	563	21,885

* So far as recorded separately.

† Less than *£500*.

‡ Including electricity generated in other works under the same ownership.

Table III B.—Consumption of electricity

Electricity consumed	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)	Th. B.T.U. (Kw.-hrs.)
Generated in same works	4,168	295	4,463
Generated in other works under same ownership	443	103	546
Purchased	42,222	926	43,148
Total	46,833	1,324	48,157

Table IV A.—Numbers employed in week ended 12th October, 1935

Persons employed	Males		Females		Total	
	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages	Under 18	All ages
	England and Wales and Northern Ireland :—					
Operatives	10,499	65,237	11,407	47,568	21,906	112,805
Administrative, etc.*	293	4,815	784	3,518	1,077	8,333
Total	10,792	70,052	12,191	51,086	22,983	121,138
Scotland :—						
Operatives	253	2,085	381	1,159	634	3,244
Administrative, etc.*	11	162	15	133	26	295
Total	264	2,247	396	1,292	660	3,539
United Kingdom :—						
Operatives	10,752	67,322	11,788	48,727	22,540	116,049
Administrative, etc.*	304	4,977	799	3,651	1,103	8,628
TOTAL	11,056	72,299	12,587	52,378	23,643	124,677

* Administrative, technical and clerical staff.

Table IV B.—Operatives employed in one week in each month of 1935

Week ended	Males and females		
	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
January 19	107,359	3,198	110,557
February 16	109,239	3,202	112,441
March 16	110,621	3,221	113,842
April 13	111,036	3,246	114,282
May 18	112,700	3,186	115,886
June 15	110,594	3,224	113,818
July 13	110,345	3,240	113,585
August 17	108,980	3,297	112,277
September 14	111,550	3,311	114,861
October 12	112,805	3,244	116,049
November 16	113,545	3,266	116,811
December 14	111,627	3,233	114,860
Average for the twelve months	110,867	3,239	114,106

Table IV C.—Number of outworkers at two specified periods in 1935

Country	January			July		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
	England and Wales	671	1,271	1,942	706	1,272	1,978
Scotland	21	—	21	23	—	23
Great Britain	692	1,271	1,963	729	1,272	2,001

No outworkers were recorded for Northern Ireland.

Table V.—Firms employing not more than ten persons on the average

Particulars	England and Wales and Northern Ireland	Scotland	United Kingdom
	No.	No.	No.
Number of returns received	8,507	999	9,506
Average number of persons employed :—			
Males	17,878	2,078	19,956
Females	1,242	200	1,442
Total	19,120	2,278	21,398